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Dear Jeff,

AUSTRALIAN PATENT APPLICATION NO: 70139/91
OUR FILE: 31788 PM 1475

I attach a copy of the response to the outstanding official action filed by our Australian associates.

Our associates have argued that the objection that Claims 1 and 2 are prior published by a packet of conventional cigarettes in a car cigarette lighter is not well-founded. They have also argued that the prior claiming objection is not well-founded making reference to the leading United Kingdom cases on the subject.

Finally, the application has been converted to a patent of edition.

I shall let you know when there is any further news to report from Australia.

Yours sincerely

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